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NOTIFICATION**

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No. RS-13/3/57-L.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of article 118 of the Constitution of India, the Chairman of the Council of States hereby makes the following further amendment in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Council of States, namely—

Amendment

For rule 214 of the said Rules, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:—

“214. (1) On the conclusion of a debate, the Chairman shall put the question and invite those who are in favour of the motion to say “Aye” and those against the motion to say “No”. Division

(2) The Chairman shall then say: “I think the Ayes (or the Noes, as the case may be) have it”. If the opinion of the Chairman as to the decision of a question is not challenged, he shall say twice: “The Ayes (or the Noes, as the case may be) have it” and the question before the Council shall be determined accordingly.

(3) If the opinion of the Chairman as to the decision of a question is challenged, he may, if he thinks fit, ask the members who are for “Aye” and those for “No” respectively to rise in their places and, on a count being taken, he may declare the determination of the Council. In such a case, the names of the voters shall not be recorded.

(4) (a) If the opinion of the Chairman as to the decision of a question is challenged and he does not adopt the course provided for in sub-rule (3) above, he shall order a “Division” to be held.

(b) After the lapse of two minutes, he shall put the question a second time and declare whether in his opinion the "Ayes" or the "Noes" have it.

(c) If the opinion so declared is again challenged, votes shall be taken by operating the automatic vote recorder or by the members going into the Lobbies.

Division by
operating
automatic
vote recorder

214-A. (1) If the opinion declared under clause (b) of sub-rule (4) of rule 214 is challenged and the Chairman decides that the votes shall be taken by operating the automatic vote recorder, he shall direct that the votes be recorded and thereupon the automatic vote recorder shall be put into operation and the members shall cast their votes from the seats respectively allotted to them by pressing the buttons provided for the purpose.

(2) After the result of the voting appears on the indicator board, the Secretary shall present the totals of "Ayes" and "Noes" to the Chairman.

(3) The result of a Division shall be announced by the Chairman and shall not be challenged.

(4) A member who is not able to cast his vote by pressing the button provided for the purpose due to any reason considered sufficient by the Chairman, may, with the permission of the Chairman, have his vote recorded verbally by stating whether he is in favour of or against the motion.

(5) If a member finds that he has voted by mistake by pressing the wrong button, he may be allowed to correct his mistake provided he brings it to the notice of the Chairman before the result of the division is announced.

Division by
going into
the Lobbies.

214-B. (1) If the opinion declared under clause (b) of sub-rule (4) of rule 214 is challenged and the Chairman decides that the votes shall be recorded by the members going into the Lobbies, he shall direct the "Ayes" to go into the Right Lobby and the "Noes" into the Left Lobby. In the "Ayes" or "Noes" Lobby, as the case may be, each member shall call out his Division Number and the Division Clerk, while marking off his number on the Division List, shall simultaneously call out the name of the member.

(2) After voting in the Lobbies is completed, the Division Clerks shall hand over the Division Lists to the Secretary, who shall count the votes and present the totals of "Ayes" and "Noes" to the Chairman.

(3) The result of a division shall be announced by the Chairman and shall not be challenged.

(4) A member who is unable to go to the Division Lobby owing to sickness or infirmity may, with the permission of the Chairman, have his vote recorded either at his seat or in the Members' Lobby.

(5) If a member finds that he has voted by mistake in the wrong Lobby, he may be allowed to correct his mistake provided he brings it to the notice of the Chairman before the result of the division is announced.

(6) When the Division Clerks have brought the Division Lists to the Secretary's table, a member who has not up to that time recorded his vote but who then wishes to have his vote recorded may do so with the permission of the Chairman."

By order of the Chairman,

S. N. MUKERJEE,

Secretary.

